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husband's special payment is also reduced by the amount that the wife's government pension exceeds the full special payment.

(e) Nonpayment of special age 72 payments when you are not residing in the United States. No special payment is due you for any month you are not a resident of one of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, or the Northern Mariana Islands. Also, payment to you may not be permitted under the rules in §404.463 if you are an alien living outside the United States.

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LUMP-SUM DEATH PAYMENT

§404.390 General.

If a person is fully or currently insured when he or she dies, a lump-sum death payment of \$255 may be paid to the widow or widower of the deceased if he or she was living in the same household with the deceased at the time of his or her death. If the insured is not survived by a widow or widower who meets this requirement, all or part of the \$255 payment may be made to someone else as described in §§ 404.392 and 404.393.

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§ 404.391 Who is entitled to the lumpsum death payment as a widow or widower who was living in the same household.

You are entitled to the lump-sum death payment as a widow or widower who was living in the same household if—

- (a) You are the widow or widower of the deceased insured individual based upon a relationship described in §404.345 or §404.346;
- (b) You apply for this payment within two years after the date of the insured's death. You need not apply again if, in the month prior to the death of the insured, you were entitled to wife's or husband's benefits on his or her earnings record; and
- (c) You were living in the same household with the insured at the time of his or her death. The term *living in*

the same household is defined in §404.347.

[44 FR 34481, June 15, 1979, as amended at 48 FR 21929, May 16, 1983]

§ 404.392 Who is entitled to the lumpsum death payment when there is no widow or widower who was living in the same household—death occurs after August 1981.

- (a) General. If the insured individual dies after August 1981 and is not survived by a widow or widower who meets the requirements of §404.391, the lump-sum death payment shall be paid as follows:
- (1) To a person who is entitled (or would have been entitled had a timely application been filed) to widow's or widower's benefits (as described in §404.335) or mother's or father's benefits (as described in §404.339) on the work record of the deceased worker for the month of that worker's death; or
- (2) If no person described in (1) survives, in equal shares to each person who is entitled (or would have been entitled had a timely application been filed) to child's benefits (as described in §404.350) on the work record of the deceased worker for the month of that worker's death.
- (b) Application requirement. A person who meets the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of this section need not apply to receive the lump-sum death payment if, for the month prior to the death of the insured, that person was entitled to wife's or husband's benefits on the insured's earnings record. Otherwise, an application must be filed within 2 years of the insured's death.

[48 FR 21929, May 16, 1983]

§ 404.393 Who is entitled to the lumpsum death payment when there is no widow or widower who was living in the same household—death occurs before September 1, 1981.

If the insured individual dies before September 1, 1981 and is not survived by a widow or widower who meets the requirements of §404.391, the lump-sum death payment shall be paid as follows:

(a) If all or part of the burial expenses of the deceased incurred by a funeral home remain unpaid, the funeral home may receive the lump-sum death